

TIME Program Summer Updates



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Summer is here. I hope everyone will have the opportunity to travel somewhere in our great state and enjoy some of the beautiful lakes, outstanding parks or any of the many community fairs and festivals that we as Wisconsinites have the pleasure to enjoy. While you are travelling throughout the state, please be mindful of the other motorists on the roadway. Everyone knows all too well that if a driver takes his or her eyes off the road for just a couple of seconds, it can become a dangerous situation for everyone. In addition, please use extra caution when travelling through one of the many work zones across the state. There are many construction workers maintaining and improving the roads throughout Wisconsin and we want them to be able to go home at the end of the day as well.



The TIME program has had a very busy first half of 2016. We were successful in:

- Achieving the 20% of all identified responders being TIM trained in the state as suggested by FHWA.
- Hosting 12 regional TIME meetings across the state with some very interesting and informative presentations at each of the meetings.
- Updating the four-hour TIM responder training PowerPoint presentation by adding current statistics, new photos and video.

We are also hosting a new FHWA Train-the-Trainer class at the end July in order to increase the cadre of TIM instructors across the state. Additionally, we are working closely with WisDOT's Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) on the planning for the 41st Annual Governor's Conference on Highway Safety. All told, there are a lot of great things occurring within the program and we are looking forward to the second half of the year.

We hope everyone has a fun and safe summer no matter where you go or what you do. We hope to see you at the Governor's Conference on Highway Safety in August, at a regional TIME meeting this fall or any one of the numerous responder conferences. Safe travels!

42nd Annual Governor's Conference on Highway Safety "Driving Fatalities Toward Zero"

The TIME Program is proud to help host the 2016 Governor's Conference on Highway Safety (GCHS) this summer at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay. These year's theme is "Driving Fatalities Toward Zero". The conference will include a wide array of trainings and workshops provided by safety experts from a variety of backgrounds and disciplines. This year's conference is will be an exciting and informative event. We hope to see you in Green Bay! Click on the link below to register for the conference.

[Conference Registration](#)



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Save the date!

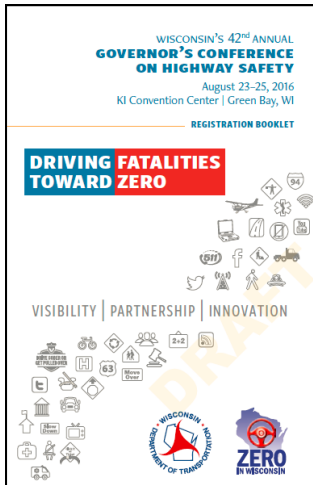
August 23-25

Governor's Conference on Highway Safety

KI Convention Center—Green Bay, Wisconsin

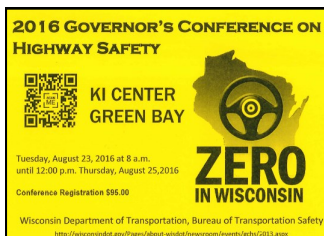
Free Pre-Conference Training—August 23

Arrive at the GCHS on August 23 to attend any of the **FREE** pre-conference training sessions and then stay to attend the conference on August 24 and 25. The conference sessions may qualify for in-service training hours for law enforcement and EMS.



- EMS Basic Refresher Course
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Wise-Grants Training
1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- EMS Service Directors Course
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- FHWA's SHRP2 TIM Training for Dispatchers and Transportation Management Center (TMC) Operators
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Wisconsin Emergency Traffic Control & Scene Management Guidelines Training
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Basic Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Training County and Municipal Law Enforcement
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

TIME Program Presentations at GCHS



The TIME program is once again working with BOTS to support the Annual Governor's Conference on Highway Safety by developing ten individual TIM-related topics that will be presented at the conference.

The list below includes the presentations developed by the TIME program. As you can see, there are some very interesting and informative topics this year. We hope to see you at the conference!!

- *Traffic Incident Management Technology 25 Years from Now*
- *Alternative Fuel, CNG and LPG Vehicles and the Dangers Posed to First Responders*
- *Traffic Safety in the Plain Communities*
- *Unified Command and Traffic Incident Management – A Recipe for Success*
- *TACTICAL TIM – Thinking Beyond the TIMA*
- *Unmanned Aircraft Systems in Support of Traffic Incident Management*
- *STOC – What Happens After You Make the Call?*
- *Towing and Recovery – It's a Dangerous Job!*
- *Oversize/Overweight –Coming Through a Town Near You*
- *Pennsylvania Snow Storms-The Closure of the Turnpike and the Interstate Twice in Three Weeks*

Wisconsin Achieves 20% of all Responders Trained in the State

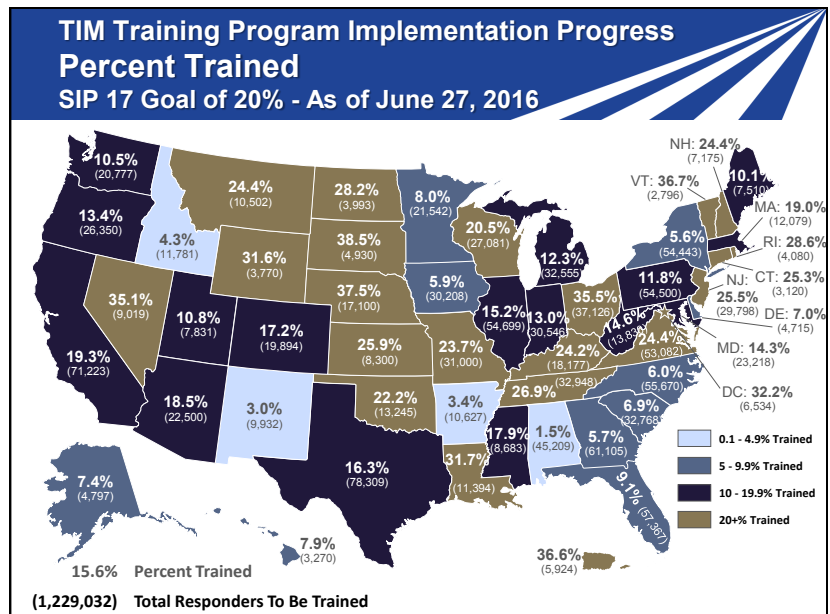
In 2015, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) advised that they had established a goal for the national TIM program to have 35 states train at least 20% of all of the identified responders in the state in traffic incident management by May 31, 2016. Wisconsin took on the challenge and developed a plan to accomplish the goal. The responder community throughout the state embraced the challenge and the requests for TIM trainings came flowing in. At a number of the spring TIME meetings, many responder agencies volunteered to host a TIM training.

A special "thank you" to all of the TIM trainers in the state that stepped up to the plate and assisted in obtaining the goal by teaching a class. All TIM instructors are volunteers and many times they would have to drive home after working all day and teaching a responder class from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. It is this type of dedication and commitment to responder safety that has made the program so successful. The instructors truly believe in TIM and that belief resonates with the students that they are teaching.

As of June 27, 2016, Wisconsin has trained 5,552 of the FHWA identified 27,081 responders in the state of Wisconsin. That is just a little over the 20% goal set by FHWA. Per FHWA, only 22 states in the country achieved the targeted goal of 20% of all responders trained. We are not stopping with just 20%. The program has already seen a surge in the requests for TIM training for this fall. With a new group of TIM instructors coming on board in August, we will have more instructors in all corners of the state so some will not have to travel as far as in years past. It is these dedicated instructors that make the program work. It is also you, as responders, that are interested in learning how to make an incident scene safe for everyone and to get traffic flowing as soon as possible to improve the safety of the motoring public approaching an incident scene.

Marquette County Takes the Lead

After the tragic death of Endeavour/Moundville Firefighter Larry Millard on December 11, 2015, responders in Marquette County wanted to do something to reduce the possibility of such a tragedy from occurring again. One of the things they implemented was TIM training for ALL responder disciplines that work in Marquette County. Working with the Marquette County Sheriff's office, the local fire departments and the EMS community, the TIME program set up four TIM responder training classes for Marquette County. All personnel from the Sheriff's office, the highway department, ALL eleven fire departments, the EMS community, local law enforcement agencies and any towing and recovery professionals that work in Marquette County attended one of the four sessions. The trainings were scheduled to ensure personnel from all of the different disciplines were at each one of the trainings. This was done to improve communication between the responder disciplines and educate all of the responders on each other's roles at an incident. The training was very well received and in speaking with Marquette County personnel, communication at incident scenes has already improved. The TIME program believes that Marquette County is the first county in the state to train ALL of the responder disciplines in a county in TIM. We can only hope that through training, it will help in avoiding another tragedy in the future.



The Wisconsin Towing Association Recommends TIM Training to its Members

As of January 1, 2016, the state of Illinois requires all towing and recovery professionals that respond to an incident in Illinois to be trained in TIM. After learning of their state law, the TIME program approached members of the Wisconsin Towing Association (WTA) and asked how the WTA felt about requiring all towers be TIM trained? The WTA stated that if all towers in Wisconsin were required to be TIM trained, it would “raise the bar” for everyone.



The TIME program then asked the WTA if they would be interested in recommending to their membership that all WTA members be TIM trained voluntarily. At a meeting of the WTA executive board on March 19, 2016, the executive board unanimously voted to recommend to their membership that all members be trained in TIM. The TIME program already has enjoyed a great partnership with the WTA and currently has a number of towing and recovery professionals that are TIM trainers.



While attending the WTAs annual conference in the Wisconsin Dells on June 17-18, 2016, and through the support of the executive board of the WTA, the TIME program has received requests from no less than 10 different tow companies all across the state to host a TIM training and that was just from the conference weekend. It is this type of cooperation and commitment to responder safety that will continue to make the TIME program successful. Thanks WTA!

Almost a Good Deal.....

In May, when Lt. Mitch Gibson of the Chippewa County Sheriff's Department volunteered to host a TIM responder class at his department, the TIME program arranged to have all of the training materials hand delivered to Eau Claire. In an effort to save on shipping costs, the TIME program also included a box of new reflective vests for all NW Region WisDOT RIMCs. As all of us know, communication is always the issue. The training materials were delivered directly to Chippewa County as well as the box of vests. Lt. Gibson, thinking that he was receiving a “gift” from the TIME program, distributed the 25 vests to some of the students during the training and then took a photo to show that they are going to be used. Lt. Gibson stated that after he took the photo, he suddenly found a packing slip in the box that stated “RIMC- 18 for Eau Claire and 7 for Superior”. Unfortunately, he had to ask for the vests back. Sorry!



Fall Schedule for Regional TIME Meetings

September 8, 2016..... Southeast Region <i>Milwaukee</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WisDOT Statewide Traffic Operations Center (STOC) 433 W. St. Paul Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203
October 5, 2016..... Northwest Region <i>Superior</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Superior WisDOT Office 1701 N. 4 th Street, Superior, WI 54880
October 5, 2016..... Northwest Region <i>Spooner</i>	5:30 PM – 8:30 PM DNR Service Center <i>Community Room 112</i> 810 W. Maple Street, Spooner, WI 54801 <i>*Note: Newly added meeting</i>
October 6, 2016..... Northwest Region <i>Eau Claire</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Eau Claire County Sheriff's Office 710 Second Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54307
October 11, 2016..... Northeast Region <i>Northern US 41/US 141/STH 172</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Brown County Project Office <i>Duck Creek Room</i> 1940 W. Mason Street, Green Bay, WI 54303
October 13, 2016..... North Central Region <i>Wausau</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Northcentral Technical College 1000 W. Campus Drive, Wausau, WI 54401
October 13, 2016..... North Central Region <i>Rhineland</i>	6:00 PM – 8:30 PM Oneida County Sheriff's Office 2000 E. Winnebago Street, Rhineland, WI 54501
October 19, 2016..... Northeast Region <i>Southern US 41/STH 441</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WIS 441 Tri-County Construction Project Office W6214 Aerotech Drive, Appleton, WI 54914
October 26, 2016..... Southwest Region <i>Beloit</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM City of Beloit Utilities and Engineering Facilities Building 2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511 <i>*Note: New meeting location, was originally scheduled for Edgerton</i>
November 2, 2016..... Southwest Region <i>De Forest</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WI State Patrol – De Forest Post 911 W. North Street, De Forest, WI 53532
November 10, 2016..... Southwest Region <i>La Crosse</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WisDOT SW Region Office <i>Conference Rooms B19 & B20</i> 3550 Mormon Coulee Road, La Crosse, WI 54601
November 16, 2016..... Northeast Region <i>I-43 & Lakeshore Counties</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Manitowoc County Sheriff's Department 1025 South 9th Street, Manitowoc, WI 54220
December 1, 2016 Southeast Region <i>Milwaukee</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WisDOT Statewide Traffic Operations Center (STOC) 433 W. St. Paul Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203

TIME Program Award Nominations

**Do you know someone who is dedicated to promoting Traffic Incident Management (TIM)?
If so, let us know!**

The WisDOT TIME Program is looking for nominees to receive recognition for their dedication to improving responder safety, quick clearance and interoperable communications.

Every August at the Governor's Conference on Highway Safety, the TIME Program honors individuals and agencies that have showed integration of TIM into their agency or organization throughout the year.

Award categories include:

The **TIME Outstanding Achievement Award** is intended to recognize an individual who shows regular participation in TIME Program initiatives such as after action reviews, incident debriefings and TIME meetings. The nominee is also active in the training of Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines, as well as educational outreach. This individual works to integrate these initiatives and principles into the culture of their agency through training and utilization of the guidelines within their agency.

The **TIME Innovation Award** recognizes innovative approaches, technologies and/or solutions that support the TIME Program mission of improving responder safety, enhancing the safe, quick clearance of traffic incidents and supporting prompt, reliable and interoperable communications.

An **Honorable Mention Award** for each category will be presented as well.

If there are any individuals or agencies that you would like to recommend for a TIME Program Outstanding Achievement or TIME Innovation Award please submit your nomination(s) on a one page letter sized document, single-spaced in 12-point Times New Roman font.

**Please submit nominations to: timeprogram@dot.wi.gov or david.spakowicz@dot.wi.gov
no later than Friday, July 29, 2016 for consideration.**